

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**Western District of Virginia**  
**210 Franklin Road, SW, Room 540**  
**Roanoke, Virginia 24011**

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**October 5, 2021**

All Counsel of Record

Re: Benjamin Crosswhite v. Thomson Reuters Corp.  
Civil Action No. 6:21-cv-15

Dear Counsel:

This case has been assigned to District Judge Elizabeth K. Dillon and, following a Rule 16 scheduling conference, will be given a trial date in approximately nine months, unless an earlier date is requested by the parties.

Please confer among yourselves regarding available dates and, within a week from the date of this letter, one attorney should contact Judge Dillon's judicial assistant, Miriam Frazier, at (540) 857-5120 or MiriamF@vawd.uscourts.gov to set a Rule 16 scheduling conference. If no response is received, we will assume that any date chosen will be acceptable.

Following the Rule 16 conference, a scheduling order, similar to the example posted online at <http://www.vawd.uscourts.gov/judges/judge-dillon.aspx>, will be entered establishing pretrial deadlines and making other provisions for the development of this case. The standard deadline for completion of discovery will be 95 days prior to trial, the deadline to file dispositive motions will be 80 days prior to trial, and the deadline for hearing dispositive motions will be 45 days prior to trial.

Any hearings on non-dispositive motions, including motions concerning discovery, will be scheduled and heard by Magistrate Judge Robert S. Ballou. Discovery motions, however, may not be filed before conferring with Judge Ballou. Please contact his chambers at (540) 857-5158 for these hearing or conference dates. Hearings on dispositive motions, such as motions to dismiss or for summary judgment, will be scheduled by Ms. Frazier. Please contact her at the above number or e-mail address.

Very truly yours,

s/ Brittany Davis  
Deputy Clerk

cc: All Counsel  
Miriam Frazier  
Law Clerk  
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